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Re: Draft Final Proposed Plan, Former EOD Range (Site SS-026)

Dear Mr. Sorel:

This is to notify you that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has completed its review of the Draft Final Proposed Plan for the Former EOD (Explosive Ordnance Demolition) Range (Site SS-026), dated October 2002, located at Plattsburgh Air Force Base (AFB), Plattsburgh, New York. As the plan is still subject to public comment, we are deferring our final approval of the proposed remedy until we have reviewed any comments submitted by the public, the Air Force's responsiveness summary, and the Record of Decision (ROD).

The preferred remedial alternative for the Former EOD Range is No Further Action. This is based on three prior actions (Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Range Safing, Drum Removal and Soil Excavation) conducted at the Site. The UXO Range Safing conducted was consistent with Department of Defense and EPA Management Principles for Implementing Response Actions at Closed, Transferring and Transferred Ranges. Drum Removal and Soil Excavation resulted in residual contaminant levels that allow for unrestricted use. Institutional controls will not be required for Site SS-026.

If you have any questions regarding the subject of this letter, please contact me or have your staff contact Robert Wing of my staff at (212) 637-4332.

Sincerely,

George Pavlou, Director
Emergency and Remedial Response Division

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